GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS ALONG INDO NEPAL BORDER
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to construct 850 kilometers long road along Indo-Nepal border to check illegal infiltration;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is also an urgent need to construct a road along Indo-Nepal border in Raxual etc. in Bihar to check illegal infiltration of Maoists etc.; and

(d) if so, measures being taken to keep a constant vigil at Indo-Nepal border in Bihar?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI)

(a) to (c): A proposal for the construction of approximately 1271 Kms. length of various roads along Indo Nepal border covering States viz. Uttarakhand, UP, Bihar is under consideration in order to facilitate better communication, patrolling and to check anti-national activities. The proposal includes new roads connecting Raxaul etc. along the Indo-Nepal border.

(d): Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) has been given the task to ensure the border security on the Indo-Nepal border as the Border Guarding Force. The State Govts. concerned have also been sensitized in this regard. SSB is working in close coordination with the State Governments and the respective District Administration. The Govt. of India is also keeping a close watch on the overall situation.